

NATIONAL SUMMARY OF MEATS GRADED
(POUNDS IN THOUSANDS)

FISCAL YEAR 1997

TOTALS

09/29/96 TO 09/27/97

QUALITY GRADE	YIELD GRADE					QUALITY ONLY	TOTAL QUALITY GRADED THIS PD	% OF ALL QUALITY GRADED	% OF TOTAL STEER AND HEIFER SLAUGHTER
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5				
PRIME	5,702	90,254	180,412	12,013	873	138,770	428,025	2.3	2.1
CHOICE	678,654	4,372,819	4,070,203	156,753	10,882	1,392,940	10,682,251	58.5	51.6
SELECT	1,240,242	3,447,727	1,408,367	22,541	1,007	1,027,711	7,147,594	39.1	34.6
STANDARD	78	143	22	0	0	1,296	1,539	0.0	0.0
COMMERCIAL	5	171	274	0	0	291	740	0.0	
UTILITY	113	3,113	2,086	0	0	505	5,817	0.0	
CUTTER	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0	
CANNER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
YIELD ONLY	517,783	634,472	331,865	10,637	760				
TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS PERIOD	2,442,576	8,548,699	5,993,229	201,944	13,522				
% OF ALL YIELD GRADED	14.2	49.7	34.8	1.2	0.1				

95.5% of Federal Inspected Steer and Heifer slaughter represents total Steers and Heifers Graded.

0.2% of Federal Inspected Cow slaughter represents total Cows graded.

81.6% of Federal Inspected Beef slaughter represents total Beef (Steers, Heifers, and Cows) graded.

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	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5			
PRIME	259	5,574	8,271	2,779	564	6	17,453	8.4
CHOICE	21,188	80,283	73,966	13,003	2,221	24	190,685	91.6
GOOD	43	0	1	5	0	0	50	0.0
UTILITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
CULL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
YIELD ONLY	85	95	30	3	0			
TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS PERIOD	21,575	85,953	82,269	15,789	2,785			
% OF ALL YIELD GRADED	10.4	41.2	39.5	7.6	1.3			

87.4% of Federal Inspected Lamb slaughter represents total Lambs Graded.

VEAL AND CALF

QUALITY GRADE	TOTAL THIS PD	%
PRIME	9,563	12.9
CHOICE	63,661	86.2
GOOD	644	0.9
STANDARD	6	0.0
UTILITY	0	0.0
TOTAL	73,874	100.0

22.1% of Federal Veal and Calf slaughter represents total Veal and Calf graded.

TOTAL BULL/BULLOCK	1
TOTAL PORK	0

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	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5				
PRIME	7,749	122,663	245,195	16,327	1,187	188,600	581,721	2.3%	2.1
CHOICE	922,346	5,943,020	5,531,739	213,040	14,790	1,893,120	14,518,055	58.4%	51.6
SELECT	1,685,590	4,685,744	1,914,086	30,635	1,368	1,396,744	9,714,167	39.1%	34.6
STANDARD	106	194	30	0	0	1,761	2,091	0.0%	0.0
COMMERCIAL	9	321	515	0	0	546	1,391	0.0%	
UTILITY	212	5,848	3,918	0	0	949	10,927	0.0%	
CUTTER	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.0%	
CANNER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	
YIELD ONLY	703,710	862,299	451,032	14,456	1,033				
TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS PERIOD	3,319,722	11,620,089	8,146,515	274,458	18,378				
% OF ALL YIELD GRADED	14.1%	49.7%	34.8%	1.1%	0.0%				

LAMB AND MUTTON

QUALITY GRADE	YIELD GRADE					QUALITY ONLY	TOTAL QUALITY GRADED THIS PD	% OF ALL QUALITY GRADED
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5			
PRIME	3,912	84,037	124,695	41,890	8,496	84	263,114	8.4%
CHOICE	319,415	1,210,301	1,115,060	196,026	33,480	359	2,874,641	91.5%
GOOD	645	0	21	78	4	0	748	0.0%
UTILITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
CULL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
YIELD ONLY	1,280	1,437	453	38	7			
TOTAL YIELD GRADED THIS PERIOD	325,252	1,295,775	1,240,229	238,032	41,987			
YIELD GRADED	10.3%	40.9%	39.6%	7.7%	1.3%			

VEAL AND CALF

QUALITY GRADE	TOTAL THIS PD	%
PRIME	45,070	13.0%
CHOICE	300,030	86.1%
GOOD	3,033	0.8%
STANDARD	26	0.0%
UTILITY	0	0.0%
TOTAL	348,159	
TOTAL BULL/BULLOCK		1
TOTAL PORK		0

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